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SUBJECT: EXPORT CONTROLS OF FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS

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1. REFTELS REFER ON ONE HAND TO "RESTRICTIONS" AND ON THE OTHER TO "CONTROLS" AFFECTING EXPORT TRADE. OUR RESPONSE KEYED TO OECD DOCUMENT TC (74) 12 OF JUNE 21, 1974 ASSUMES THAT INVENTORY SHOULD BE "CONTROLS WHICH POTENTIALLY RESTRICT EXPORTS."

2. AGRICULTURAL AND FISHERY PRODUCTS.

A. ALL FOOD PRODUCTS (PLUS FERTILIZERS AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS) ARE SUBJECT TO CONTROL OF AGRICULTURAL MARKETING BOARD (JORDERUKSNAMNDEN). THREE BASIC LAWS PROVIDE AUTHORITY. THEY ARE: EXPORT PROHIBITION ACT OF 1950 (1950:324) WHICH PERMITS DESIGNATED PRODUCTS TO BE BANNED FROM EXPORT TRADE OR PLACED UNDER LICENSE CONTROL; AGRICULTURAL REGULATION ACT (1967:340) WHICH IN PRINCIPLE PERMITS EXPORTS TO BE MADE FREELY BUT PROVIDES AUTHORITY TO REQUIRE LICENSING OF SPECIFIC PRODUCTS, DEPENDING ON

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MARKET CONDITIONS; AND FISHERIES REGULATION ACT

(1974:226) WHICH IS SIMILAR TO AGRICULTURAL REGULATION
ACT BUT APPLIES ONLY TO FISH PRODUCTS.

B. OECD DOCUMENT TC(74)12 IS ACCURATE AS OF 16
AUGUST 1973 BUT CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE PERIODICALLY SINCE THEN.

C. EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 2, 1975, THE FOLLOWING
SWEDISH BTN ITEMS AND DESCRIPTION REQUIRE EXPORT
LICENSING; 10.01 100,000 WHEAT AND MIXED WHEAT AND
RYE; 10.03 BARLEY; 10.04 OATS; 11.01 100,200,300,400 CEREAL
GROATS, CEREAL MEAL (FINELY GROUND CEREAL) PELLETS
AND OTHER PREPARED WHEAT GRAIN; MIXTURE OF WHEAT AND
RYE, OF BARLEY AND OATS; GERMS OF CEREAL, WHOLE ROLLED,
FLAKED OR GROUND; 11.07 MALT, ROASTED OR NOT;
23.02 200 BRAN, FODDER MEAL AND OTHER RESIDUES
OBTAINED FROM SIFTING, GRINDING AND OTHER
TREATMENT OF GRAINS, EXCEPT FROM CORN AND RICE.

D. EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 12, 1975, BTN 07.01 109
POTATOES WAS ALSO PLACED UNDER EXPORT LICENSE.

E. ABOVE DATA OF CURRENT CONTROLS ARE FROM AGRICULTURAL
MARKET BOARD CIRCULAR 1975 NO. 194, DEC. 15, 1975.

3. INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS.

A. BOARD OF TRADE (KOMMERSKOLLEGIUM) HAS AUTHORITY
TO PLACE UNDER EXPORT LICENSE ANY OR ALL PRODUCTS IN
BTN CHAPTERS 25-99, WITH EXCEPTION NOTABLY OF FERTILIZERS
AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS WHICH, AS NOTED EARLIER, COME
UNDER AGRICULTURAL MARKETING BOARD. EFFECTIVE END
OF 1965 IN RESPONSE TO UN RESOLUTION OF NOVEMBER 1965,
EXPORTS TO RHODESIA ARE BANNED.

B. OECD DOCUMENT TX(74)12 WAS AND IS NOT COMPLETE.
EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 10, 1975 THE FOLLOWING BTN ITEMS
AND DESCRIPTIONS REQUIRE EXPORT LICENSE: 26.03 200,
901, 909 ASH AND RESIDUES, CONTAINING METALS OR
METAL COMPOUNDS, EXCEPT ZINC; 71.11 GOLDSMITHS',
SILVERSMITHS, AND JEWELERS' SWEEPINGS, RESIDUES,
LEMELS, AND OTHER WASTE AND SCRAP, OF PRECIOUS
METALS; 73.03 WASTE AND SCRAP METAL OF IRON OR STEEL;
74.01 601, 603 WASTE AND SCRAP OF COPPER, BRASS AND
OTHER ALLOYS; 75.01 300 WASTE AND SCRAP OF ALUMINUM; 77.01
200 WASTE AND SCRAP OF MAGNESIUM; 77.04 WASTE AND
SCRAP OF BERYLLIUM; 78.01 300 WASTE AND SCRAP OF
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LEAD; 80.01 300 WASTE AND SCRAP OF TIN; 81.01 OUT
OF 100 WASTE AND SCRAP OF WOLFRAM; 81.02 OUT OF 100
WASTE AND SCRAP OF MOLYBDENUM; 81.03 WASTE AND SCRAP
OF TANTALUM; 81.04 OUT OF 610-694 WASTE AND SCRAP OF
TITANIUM AND OF OTHER NON-PRECIOUS METALS, EXCEPT
THORIUM AND URANIUM (THESE COME UNDER THE ATOMIC
ENERGY LAW); 89.01 SHIPS, BOATS AND OTHER VESSELS NOT
FALLING UNDER BTN 89.03-89.05, EXCEPT PLEASURE CRAFT,

ROWBOATS AND PADDLE CANOES; 89.02 VESSELS SPECIALLY
DESIGNED FOR TOWING (TUGS) OR PUSHING OTHER VESSELS;
AND 89.04 SHIPS, BOATS AND OTHER VESSELS FOR BREAKING UP.

C. PETROLEUM PRODUCTS (BTN 27.09, 27.10 AND 27.11)
WERE PLACED UNDER EXPORT LICENSE CONTROL ON TEMPORARY
BASIS EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, 1973; THESE CONTROLS WERE
REMOVED ON JULY 10, 1975.

D. HIDES AND SKINS WHICH HAD BEEN SUBJECT TO
EXPORT LICENSE REQUIREMENTS SINCE END OF WORLD WAR II
WERE REMOVED ON NOVEMBER 10, 1975 (BOARD OF TRADE NOTICE
NO. 80, 1975). THESE CONTROLS WERE INDEFINITE AND
IMPOSED TO MAINTAIN DOMESTIC SUPPLIES.

E. ALCOHOL MONOPOLY (SPRITCENTRALEN) DOES NOT
RESTRICT EXPORT SALES OR REQUIRE LICENSING.

4. EMBASSY IS NOT IN POSITION TO JUDGE DEGREE OF
RESTRICTIVENESS OF INDIVIDUAL PRODUCT LICENSING
REQUIREMENTS ON EXPORT TRADE. IF THERE ARE SPECIFIC
PRODUCTS OF PARTICULAR SENSITIVITY TO U.S., WE WILL
ENDEAVOR TO MAKE A JUDGMENT.
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